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FOR: NOVEL DROSOPHILA TUMOR NECROSIS FACTOR CLASS

MOLECULE ("DMTNF") AND VARIANTS THEREOF

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 WITH AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Official action dated December 22, 2004, please consider the following amendments and remarks for the captioned application, without prejudice. Submitted concurrently herewith is a Petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.48(b), accompanied by the appropriate fee; Exhibit A; and copies of references relied upon in Applicants Reply for the convenience of the Examiner. Applicants Reply is timely filed and no extensions of time are required.

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